


REMARKS

In the Interview, the Examiner and the undersigned discussed features of the claimed invention. Attorney for Applicants noted that the previous final Office Action dated September 23, 2003 received from the Examiner did not include any basis or statement of rejection directed to any of the dependent claims of the Application. Attorney for Applicants directed the Examiner to subject matter in such dependent claims believed to be allowable by Applicants. The Examiner stated that he did not find certain arguments with respect to Claim 3 persuasive. The Examiner also indicated that he would consider arguments directed to additional dependent claims of the Application when formally submitted. In particular, the Examiner specifically indicated that features recited in Claims 5 and 6 would either be identified in the '365 reference presented by the Examiner or the prosecution would be reopened.

Should the Examiner have any further questions or comments facilitating allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative indicated below to further prosecution of this application to allowance and issuance.

Respectfully submitted,

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